

The Hudson Valley

c.1614 - 1616

Dated October 11, 1614, this is a reproduction of a Dutch map depicting the Hudson Valley. Created from the voyages of Captain Hendrickson during the period 1614-16, the map shows the Hudson River Valley from New York City to Albany as well as the coast of New Jersey.



The original Fort Nassau, one of the first Dutch settlements in North America. Present day Albany.

The map was obtained from the Hague in 1841 by John Romeyn Broadhead acting as an agent of the state of New York. In order to preserve the old Dutch history of New York, the New-York Historical Society petitioned the state Legislature to appropriate funds for the research and collection of documents across the archives of Europe. Broadhead was appointed by Governor William H. Seward to undertake this task.

HISTORY

OF THE

STATE OF NEW YORK.

BY

JOHN ROMEYN BRODHEAD.

FIRST PERIOD.

1609—1664.

He spent the next four years in The Netherlands, France, and England, amassing 80 volumes of transcriptions, largely of documents that had never been seen by American historians. In August 1844 he returned to New York with his valuable cargo. Historian George Bancroft said: “The

ship in which he came back was more richly freighted with new materials for American history than any that ever crossed the Atlantic.”



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